## Message

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**Subject**: RE: URGENT - Status of VB I-70 partial deletion

Attachments: Responsiveness summary on the VBI70 OU1 deletion.docx; 2019-07-16 - VBI-70 OU1 - Notice of Partial Deletion -

CO0002259588.docx

Jen,

Here are drafts. Jesse is on leave and sent Region 8 management drafts for their input. I will route for concurrence in his absence.

Looking forward to HQ's input.

We are very close to being able to route for RA signature once we receive your input. Linda

From: Hovis, Jennifer

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 23, 2019 9:02 AM

To: Wharton, Steve < Wharton. Steve@epa.gov>; Kiefer, Linda < Kiefer. Linda@epa.gov>

Cc: Sands, Charles <Sands.Charles@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: URGENT - Status of VB I-70 partial deletion

Hi, Steve and Linda -

I hate to be a pest, but just checking in on when we'll get the draft responsiveness summary and NOD for this site. The pressure is on to move things across the finish line. OLEM is lining up Doug Benevento to start calling RA offices on deletions and we'd prefer wrap this one up rather than put it on his radar.

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## JEN HOVIS

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From: Wharton, Steve

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 16, 2019 11:23 AM

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Subject: RE: URGENT - Status of VB I-70 partial deletion

Hi Jen – I met yesterday with the RPM, Jesse Aviles, and we resolved the few outstanding issues regarding the partial deletion. He met with the toxicologist last week after she returned from vacation, and he was finishing up the responsiveness summary today.

We have our Regional Superfund Managers Meeting today and tomorrow, so it likely will be early next week when we send the document to Chuck for his review.

Let me know if you need anything else.

Linda – If I missed anything, please add to this message.

Thanks, Steve

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From: Hovis, Jennifer

Sent: Tuesday, July 16, 2019 7:51 AM

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Subject: URGENT - Status of VB I-70 partial deletion

Importance: High

Hi, Steve and Linda -

OSRTI is getting concerned about the likelihood of making the annual deletion target. This is our first year for a target after the Agency touted last year's success, and just last week a White House speech by both Trump and Wheeler put special emphasis on this.

It is imperative that we keep VB I-70 in play for FY19. Can you provide a status update? What can OSRTI do to help? My most recent understanding was that there was possibly an issue with needing a risk assessor's input on the responsiveness summary, and maybe that person was out of the office. If that is the case, we'd like to discuss whatever gaps exist in the summary so that we can figure out a way to fill them.

Obviously if there are other issues impacting success here, we want to understand them and figure out how to move it along. We know – and appreciate - that Region 8 is exceptionally fast at getting RA signature and FR publication!

Please provide an update on where this one stands, and we'll figure out what to do next. Thank you!

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